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## **REQUEST FOR** Application Number 10/663,621 CONTINUED EXAMINATION Filing Date September 16, 2003 (RCE) TRANSMITTAL First Named Inventor Robert F. Steimle Address to: Group Art Unit 2829 Mail Stop RCE Commissioner for Patents **Examiner Name** David A. Zameke P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 **Attorney Docket Number** SC12711TP This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application. Request for Continued Examination (RCE) practice under 37 CFR 1.114 does not apply to any utility or plant application filed prior to June 8, 1995, or to any design application. See Instruction Sheet for RCEs (not to be submitted to the USPTO). Submission required under 37 C.F.R. 1.114 Note: if the RCE is proper, any previously filed unentered amendments and amendments enclosed with the RCE will be entered in the order in which they were filed unless applicant instructs otherwise. If applicant does not wish to have any previously filed uncatered amendment(s) entered, applicant must request non-entry of such amendment(s). Previously submitted. If a final Office Action is outstanding, any amendments filed after the final Office Action may be considered as a submission even if this box is not checked. Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_\_ Other \_ X Enclosed X Amendment/Reply Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s) Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) Other Miscellaneous Suspension of Action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 CFR 1.103(c) for a period of \_\_\_\_\_ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Rec under 37 CPR 1.117(i) required.) Other \_\_\_\_\_ Fees The RCE fee under 37 C.P.R. 1.117 (e) is required by 37 C.F.R. 1.114 when the RCE is filed. The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 503079. X RCB fee required under 37 C.F.R. 1.17(e) Extension of time fee (37 C.F.R. 1.136 and 1.17) ü. Other Check in the amount of \$ enclosed.. Payment by credit card (Form PTO-2038 enclosed) 05/10/2 05 ochir SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT, ATTORNEY OR AGENT REQUIRED Name (Printed/Type) Reg. No. Signature Date CERTIFICATE OF MAILING OR TRANSMISSION I hereby certify that this correspondence is being minimized via facsimile transmitted to the U. S. Patent and Trademark Office on: April 20, 2005

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